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### Introduction

Median crossovers built in connection with roadway construction projects on the National Highway System and Interstate Routes when left in place can provide a useful purpose and be cost effective for use in future construction, maintenance and incident management. The purpose of this policy is to establish criteria for defining when median crossovers will be left in place and to develop strategies to manage their use.

### Policy

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) will evaluate, manage and provide measures to leave median crossovers in place.

The determination to construct median crossovers for work zone traffic control and whether or not the crossovers will become a permanent installation shall be discussed at the preliminary field review. The final decision for the crossovers to become a permanent installation should be made at the plan-in-hand.

Guardrail and other appurtenances necessary to close the crossovers will be installed as part of the construction project for all median crossovers that will remain in place upon completion of construction. MDT will assume all post-construction maintenance responsibilities for the crossovers.

### **Procedures & Guidelines**

To support implementation of the MDT Median Crossover Policy (Interstate), MDT has developed procedures to determine when median crossovers should be left in place and guidelines for the design of the crossovers.

The Procedures and Guidelines are detailed in a separate document.